

# IEEE Region 8



## Engaging volunteers and growing opportunities

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# 1. Examples of volunteering pathways

**Student member** – officer of: SB, SB Chapter, SB WIE AG,  
Local Section Student Representative  
*the Counselor figure is strategic for the birth and continuity of SBs*

**Graduate student member/YP** – officer of: SB, SB Chapter, SB WIE AG,  
Section Student Representative, Section student committee coordinator, YP AG officer, Chapter YP representative  
IEEE R8 Student committee member/chair, IEEE R8 YP committee member/chair,  
IEEE Student Activities Committee member/chair, IEEE Humanitarian Committee Member/Chair, IEEE YP  
Committee member/chair, MGA Training Committee member/Chair, MGA Member Benefits Portfolio Advisory  
Committee member/chair, IEEE WIE Committee member/Chair, MGA Membership Recruitment and Recovery  
Committee member/Chair, MGA Potentials Editorial Board member/Chair, MGA ieee.tv Advisory member/Chair,  
MGA vTools Committee member/Chair

**Member/YP** - YP AG officer, Chapter YP representative, Section member of the board (secretary, treasurer,...)  
IEEE R8 YP committee member/chair  
IEEE YP Committee member/chair  
Chapter officer/member of the board, IEEE board committee member/chair, IEEE MGA committee member/chair

## 2. VOLT program - description

Since its pilot class in 2013, the **Volunteer Leadership Training (VoLT) Program** prepares IEEE volunteers for leadership roles **in their local units and beyond**. As of December 2020, over 350 volunteers have graduated from the VoLT Program. VoLT graduates represent all 10 IEEE Regions, and over 100 Sections. As a testament to the success of the program, graduates are taking positions of leadership across all levels of the organization.

**The VoLT Program's three goals are to:**

- **Accelerate volunteers' knowledge of the IEEE's organization, products, services, and resources**
- **Help volunteers understand their roles within their local units and within the entire organization**
- **Create a succession tool that develops and prepares future IEEE volunteer leaders**

The program starts in September and lasts three months. It consists of weekly live webinars focused on leadership topics. Guest speakers are highly experienced and passionate senior IEEE volunteers.

An integral part of the VoLT Program has been mentorship. **Mentors** are assigned to every student to answer questions, discuss topics covered throughout the program, and help their mentee navigate the complex IEEE structure.

## 2. VOLT program – projects and application requirements

Accepted candidates will be assigned into teams to work on their **group project**. Teams are instructed to come up with new ideas to implement in their local units. Towards the end of the program, teams submit a business plan and a video. The Mentors' Panel judges and selects the top three projects, and at the end of the program, all projects are shared with the participants' respective Section and Region leadership.

A strong candidate for the VoLT Program will meet the following requirements:

- **Completed all eight prerequisite courses in the CLE**
- **Two or more years of experience as an IEEE volunteer**
- **Is a Graduate Student Member or higher**
- **Has not yet served as a Section Chair**
- **An interest in becoming a future IEEE leader**
- **An endorsement letter from a senior IEEE volunteer**

In addition to the application requirements, candidates must be able to commit at least **2-3 hours a week for the entire duration of the program.**

### 3. IEEE Volunteering platform

IEEE members' free time is limited. Some of the participants might want to be active IEEE volunteers but with the shift to working and managing their careers, they find it challenging to volunteer, continuously or on a regular basis. The IEEE Volunteering platform helps address such needs by introducing a degree of flexibility to volunteer within IEEE. The platform allows members to advertise and search for volunteering opportunities, based on short- or long-term availability, local or remote preferences, or their unique skills as an individual.

**GO TO:** <https://volunteer.ieee.org>  
**& START VOLUNTEERING**

Explore various opportunities to match your skills,  
or apply for an opportunity that will help you gain new volunteering experiences.

## 4. IEEE volunteering positions @ IEEE Board and IEEE MGA

IEEE Audit Committee  
IEEE Awards Board  
IEEE Conduct Review Committee  
IEEE Election Oversight  
IEEE Employee Benefits and Compensation  
IEEE Ethics and Member Conduct  
IEEE European Public Policy Committee  
IEEE Fellow Committee  
IEEE Global Public Policy Committee  
IEEE Governance Committee  
IEEE History Committee  
IEEE Humanitarian Activities Committee  
IEEE Industry Engagement Committee  
IEEE New Initiatives Committee  
IEEE Nominations & Appointments Committee  
IEEE Public Visibility Committee  
IEEE Strategy and Alignment Committee  
IEEE Tellers Committee

IEEE Admission and Advancement Committee  
MGA Awards and Recognition Committee (ARC)  
MGA Finance Committee (FinCom)  
MGA Geographic Unit Operations Support Committee (GUOS)  
IEEE.tv Advisory Committee  
IT Coordination and Oversight Committee (ITCO)  
IEEE Life Members Committee (LMC)  
MGA Member Benefits Portfolio Advisory Committee (MBPAC)  
MGA Member Engagement and Life Cycle Committee (MELCC)  
MGA Membership Recruitment and Recovery Committee (MRR)  
MGA Nominations and Appointments Committee (N&A)  
MGA Operations Committee (OpCom)  
MGA Potentials Editorial Board  
MGA Sections Congress Committee  
MGA Strategic Planning Committee (SPC)  
MGA Student Activities Committee (SAC)  
MGA Training Committee (previously CLE)  
vTools Committee  
IEEE Women in Engineering Committee (WIEC)  
IEEE Young Professionals Committee (previously GOLD)

### IEEE Board Committee and IEEE MGA Committee Position Descriptions

<https://www.ieee.org/about/corporate/nominations/nac-position-descriptions.html>

<https://mga.ieee.org/board-committees/committees>

## 5. IEEE volunteering positions @ IEEE TAB Committees

### IEEE Conferences Committee

- Conf. Nominations, Appts. & Recommendations Committee
- Conference Finance Committee
- Conference Governance and Strategy Committee
- Conference Portfolio Review Committee
- Conference Quality Committee
- Conference Tools Committee
- Event Innovations and Enhancements Committee
- Future of Conference IP Committee

### TAB Management Committee

- IEEE Future Directions Committee
- TAB Awards and Recognition Committee
- TAB Committee on Standards
- TAB Conflict Resolution Committee
- TAB Finance Committee
- TAB Hall of Honor Selection Committee
- TAB Society and Council Review Committee
- TAB Nominations & Appointments Committee

### TAB Periodicals Committee

- TAB Magazines and Newsletters Committee
- TAB Periodicals Partnership Opportunities Comm
- TAB Periodicals Review and Advisory Committee
- TAB Proposal Development Committee
- TAB Transactions Committee
- TAB Strategic Planning Committee
- IEEE Entrepreneurship Steering Committee
- TAB Committee on Diversity and Inclusion
- TAB/PSPB Products & Services Committee
- Conference Publications Committee

### IEEE TAB Committee Position Descriptions – TAB Operational Manual

<https://www.ieee.org/content/dam/ieee-org/ieee/web/org/voluntr/tab/tab-operations-manual.pdf>



## 6. IEEE volunteering positions @ PSPB and EAB

### PUBLICATIONS Committees

- IEEE Publishing Conduct Committee
- Magazines Committee
- Newsletters Committee
- PSPB Finance Committee
- PSPB N&A Committee
- PSPB Operating Committee
- PSPB Strategic Planning Committee
- TAB/PSPB Products & Services Committee
  - Conference Publications Committee
- Transactions Committee

### EAB Committees

- EAB Awards & Recognition Committee
- EAB Comm on Eng Tech Accreditation Activities
- EAB Committee On Engineering Accreditation
- EAB Continuing Education Committee
- EAB Credentialing Program Committee
- EAB EPICs in IEEE Committee
- EAB Educational Products Editorial Committee
- EAB Faculty Resource Committee
- EAB Nominations & Appointments Committee
- EAB Pre-Univ Education Coordinating Comm
- EAB Section Education Outreach Committee
- EAB University Resources Committee
- EAB/SA Standards Education Committee

**IEEE PSPB (Publication Services and Products Board) Committee Position Descriptions - PSPB Operational Manual**

<https://pspb.ieee.org/images/files/files/opsmanual.pdf>

**IEEE EAB (Education Activity Board) Committee Position Descriptions – EAB Operational Manual**

[https://www.ieee.org/content/dam/ieee-org/ieee/web/org/educ/eab\\_ops\\_manual\\_current.pdf](https://www.ieee.org/content/dam/ieee-org/ieee/web/org/educ/eab_ops_manual_current.pdf)

## 7. Tips for getting nominated

- ▶ Identify the position(s) that interests you
- ▶ Do not submit your nomination to multiple positions (select the few for which you are most qualified)
- ▶ Check the eligibility requirements - TAB Ops Manual MGA Ops. Manual and IEEE By Laws
- ▶ Fill out the application form with the requested information trying to be concise and essential (only report the qualifications that refer to that specific position)
- ▶ Check the nominations schedule/process - Submit your nomination on time
- ▶ Identify a mentor and develop a plan
- ▶ Increase your visibility  
Sit in on the committee, become a familiar face - Speak to the Chair and volunteer
- ▶ Update your CV

**THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION**

**Q&A TIME**